[35 ஆம் பக்கத்தில் இனம் 4 (4)-க்கான அடிக்குறிப்பைக் காண்க.]

L. A. Bill No. 14 of 1974.

(*As passed by the Assembly.*)

A Bill further to amend the Tamil Nadu Land Reforms (Fixation of Ceiling on Land) Act, 1961.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Tamil Nadu in the Twenty-fifth Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

1. *Short title.*—This Act may be called the Tamil Nadu Land Reforms (Fixation of Ceiling on Land) Second Amendment Act, 1974.

2. *Definition.*—In this Act, "principal Act" means the Tamil Nadu Land Reforms (Fixation of Ceiling on Land) Act, 1961 (Tamil Nadu Act 58 of 1961), as subsequently modified.

3. *The Tamil Nadu Act* 58 *of* 1961, *as subsequently modified, to have effect subject to modifications.*—The principal Act shall, on and from the 6th day of April 1960, have effect as if, for section 23, the following section had been substituted, namely :—

"23. *Transfers or sub-divisions made or effected before the publication of notification under sub-section* (1) *of section* 18.—(1) Subject to the provisions of section 20, for the purpose of fixing, for the first time after the date of the commencement of this Act, the ceiling area of any person holding land on the date of the commencement of this Act in excess of 30 standard acres—

(*a*) any transfer, whether by sale (including sale in execution of a decree or order of a civil court or of an award or order of any other lawful authority) or by gift (other than gift made in contemplation of death), exchange, surrender, settlement or otherewise; or

(*b*) any sub-division (including sub-division by a decree or order of a civil court or any other lawful authority) whether by partition or otherwise;

effected on or after the notified date and before the publication of a notification under sub-section (1) of section 18 shall be and shall be deemed always to have been, void and accordingly the authorized officer shall calculate the ceiling area of such person as if no such transfer or sub-division had taken place.

Explanation.—This sub-section shall, on and from the 15th day of February 1970, have effect as if for the figures and words "30 standard acres", the figures and words "15 standard acres" had been substituted.

(2) It shall be the duty of the authorized officer to include the land so transferred or sub-divided, within the ceiling area of the transferor or the person who held the land immediately before such sub-division, as the case may be, as if no such transfer or sub-division had taken place."

4. *Amendment of Tamil Nadu Act* 17 *of* 1970.—In section 2 of the Tamil Nadu Land Reforms (Reduction of Ceiling on Land) Act, 1970 (Tamil Nadu Act 17 of 1970), clause (9) shall be omitted.

5. *Validation.*—Notwithstanding anything contained in any judgment, decree or order of any court or other authority, all acts done and proceedings taken by any officer or authority under the principal Act before the date of the publication of this Act in the *Tamil Nadu Government Gazette* on the basis that any transfer or sub-division of land effected after the notified date and before the date of the publication of the notification under sub-section (1) of section 18 was void shall, for all purposes be deemed to be and to have always been validly done or taken in accordance with law as if section 3 of this Act had been in force at all material times when such acts or proceedings were done or taken.